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(c) producing means for producing reference information [representing a reference for a predetermined processing on the image signal] ^{from and} on the basis of the image signal reproduced by said reproducing means, and

(d) signal processing means for performing a predetermined processing on the image signal reproduced by said reproducing means on the basis of the reference information. --.

Cancel claim 39.

Claim 40, line 1, delete "39" and insert --38--.

Claim 41, line 1, delete "39" and insert --38--.

Claim 44, line 1, delete "39" and insert --38--.

Add claims 45-50 as follows:

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45. A method of image processing, comprising:

(a) storing an image signal outputted from image pickup means, said storing being in a memory means capable of being attached to and detached from an image processing system;

(b) reproducing the image signal stored in the memory means;

(c) producing reference information ^{from and} on the basis of the reproduced image signal, and

performing a predetermined processing on the reproduced image signal on the basis of the reference information. --.

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46. The method of claim 45, wherein said predetermined processing includes holding the reference information, said predetermined processing performing a

processing on image signals other than the image signal used to produce the reference information, on the basis of the held reference information. --.

-- 47. The method of claim 45, further comprising designating a reference signal from among image signals stored in said memory means. --.

-- 48. The method of claim 47, wherein said reproducing produces the reference information on the basis of the reference signal designated by said designating means. --.

-- 49. The method of claim 48, wherein said predetermined processing includes holding the reference information, said predetermined processing performing processing on image signals other than the reference signal on the basis of the held reference information. --.

-- 50. The method of claim 45, further comprising displaying an image associated with a processed image signal. --.

REMARKS

Claims 38, 40, 41 and 44 have been amended. Claim 39 has been cancelled, and claims 45-50 have been added.

The Examiner has rejected applicants' claims 38-44 under 35 USC § 102(b) as being anticipated by the Sasaki, et al. patent. With respect to applicants' claims, as amended, this rejection is respectfully traversed.